

R E M A R K S

The Office action of May 18, 2004 has been carefully considered and the application has been amended accordingly.

Claims 1-16 are present in the application. Claims 3,4,6,7,9-13,14,15,16 have been amended to overcome the rejections/objections based upon Section 112. Claims 3,4,6,7,9,10,12,13,15 and 16 have been amended by changing "the motor drive circuit 41" to "a motor drive circuit 41" in each of the claims as suggested by the examiner. Thus, as is indicated by the Examiner, claims 3,4,6,7,9,10,12,13,15 and 16 are deemed to be allowed.

Claim 11, line 19 has been amended by deleting "such" from the phrase "such passage switching means" which had no clear antecedent. Claim 11, line 22 which also had no clear antecedent according to the examiner's rejections has been amended to "said hydraulic circuit 14" from "said hydraulic circuit 15". Claim 11 is now deemed to be allowed.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, reconsideration of the application is requested and allowance of claims 3,4,6,7,9-13,15 and 16 along with previously allowed claims 1,2,5,8, and 14 is courteously solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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